

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 18

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 6

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 18—Relative to Spay Day USA 2003.

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ACR 18, Leno. Spay Day USA 2003.

This measure would declare February 25, 2003, to be Spay Day USA 2003, and would request that Californians observe that day by having their dogs or cats spayed or neutered or by contributing to organizations that provide spay or neuter services.

WHEREAS, Between six and 10 million dogs and cats are euthanized in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, In most instances these dogs and cats are young, attractive, healthy, friendly, and playful animals that are euthanized simply because there are not enough good homes for them; and

WHEREAS, An additional unknown number of animals die each year due to abandonment, neglect, abuse, starvation, or cruelty because they are unwanted; and

WHEREAS, The spaying and neutering of dogs and cats directly addresses these problems by reducing the number of unwanted animals; and

WHEREAS, Californians can contribute to this effort by spaying and neutering their own pets and by supporting programs in their communities that offer spay and neuter services; and

WHEREAS, Veterinarians, humane societies, and national and local animal protection organizations will join together to advocate the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats on "Spay Day USA 2003," now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California declares February 25, 2003, to be Spay Day USA 2003 and that Californians are requested to observe the day by having their dogs or cats spayed or neutered or by contributing to those organizations that provide spay and neuter services, and that California veterinarians are requested to work with animal shelters and rescue groups that provide spay and neuter services; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

